Plan A Safe and Secure Summer Family Vacation

Even when you're relaxing on a summer beach vacation, you want to make sure your family is safe. Each month, law enforcement agencies report crimes in their areas to the FBI. A summary of the crime information is published by the FBI and is known as Uniform Crime Reports (UCR). Robbery, burglary, larceny, theft, stolen property and vandalism are all taken into account when putting together the UCR. With a little bit of research, you can set your family up for a safe and relaxing vacation in a town with low crime rates. Plan your next beach trip to one of the 12 towns below.

Ocean Beach, CT (in town of Mystic, CT) - It's a great place to bring the whole family!

Ogunquit, ME - Ogunquit means "beautiful place by the sea", and it certainly is true.

Bay St. Louis, MS - If you live in Mississippi, Bay St. Louis makes a perfect vacation spot.

Block Island, RI - Where better to find peace and quiet than in the smallest state's comparatively tiny island.

Cannon Beach, OR - For the romantic and adventurous, few beaches compare to Cannon Beach in Oregon.

Falmouth, MA - This town near Cape Cod boasts 12 miles of shoreline, nine beaches and an abundance of wildlife.

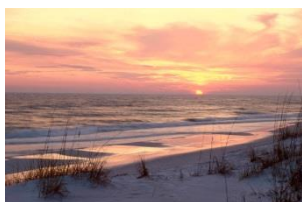**Folly Beach, SC** - Surf the day away without fear at Folly Beach.

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Gulf Shores, AL - This southern beach town has a robbery rate 46% lower than the national average.

Saugatuck, MI - The coast of Michigan provides plenty of relaxing activities for visitors to enjoy.

St. Marys, GA

Life rolls a little bit slower in this small southern town. With all the history and charm you would expect, and none of the big city hassle. St. Mary's had 72% less violent crime than the national average in 2014. You also won't have to worry about leaving your car unattended, since the rates of vehicle theft is 92% less than the national average. St. Mary's Seafood & More is a well-known, local spot for a bite to eat. The restaurant was the Diners' Choice winner by OpenTable in 2014, 2015 and 2016. If you want to spend the day outside, take your family to explore the historic sites and pristine trails of Crooked River State Park.

Wilmington, NC - Wilmington has three peaceful beaches and a scenic Riverwalk with shops, cafes and nightlife.

Neptune Beach, FL
If you live in Florida, there are plenty of beach options, but Neptune Beach is worth making a trip!

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